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Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn y Gymraeg ac yn y Saesneg. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020. Your request sought information relating to breast clinics.

**Please could you provide a report on the performance of the Health Board against the 2 week wait (2WW) target for symptomatic breast referrals.**

**Please provide the following breakdown, month on month for 2019 (Jan-Dec).**

- **Total Patients Referred**
- **Number of these patients seen within 14 days**
- **Number of these patients seen 15-16 days**
- **Number of these patients seen 17-21 days**
- **Number of these patients seen 22-28 days**
- **Number of these patients seen over 28 days**

Please see Appendix 1. The numbers provided are for new referrals received into the Breast Service from 1/1/19 to 31/12/19 and subsequent 'attendances' to date. Attendances are where the patient has been physically seen, therefore the data does not account for DNA or cancelled appointments.

Please note that some referrals are not counted in the "patients seen" figures, as these referrals will be via Breast Test Wales and therefore they will have already received a diagnosis and consequently are added immediately to the Inpatient



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Waiting Lists without a face to face appointment. This is usually arranged with a Breast Care Nurse and a pre-assessment carried out over the telephone.

Where fewer than 5 has been indicated we are unable to provide you with the exact number of patients as due to the low numbers, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at [FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk).

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Yours sincerely



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